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In re Patent Application of:  
Heinrich Schubert

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For: DEVICE FOR THE PRODUCTION OF  
ANASTOMOSES BETWEEN HOLLOW  
ORGANS

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Examiner: D. P. Erez

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2011, finally rejecting claims 1-19 and 21-30, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.